

CUMMER CITY BANK
CLOSES ITS DOORSChestnut Street National Is Now
in Hands of Examiner.

LIABILITIES OVER \$3,000,000

Funds of City Police and Firemen's
Pension Fund Were on Deposit.

LAST REPORT MADE A GOOD SHOWING

Banking Houses of the City Made
an Effort To Tide the Institution
Over, but Found Its Con-
dition Such That Made
It Impossible.Philadelphia, December 23.—A sensation
was created in this city today by the an-
nouncement of the suspension of the Chest-
nut Street National bank, regarded as one
of the strongest financial institutions in
the city. The suspension carried with it
the closing of the Chestnut Street Trust
Savings Fund Company, doing business
under the state banking laws. William M.
Singerly, publisher of the Philadelphia
Record, is president of both companies, and
the same men, with one exception, act as
officers and directors.The first information the public received
that the banks were in trouble was in the
form of a notice posted this morning on
the door of the building occupied jointly
by the two concerns, signed by National
Bank Examiner William M. Hart, to the
effect that the Chestnut Street National
bank had closed its doors pending an in-
vestigation of its affairs. No statement
of assets and liabilities is available, but it
is stated the deposits of the Chestnut street
bank amounted to \$1,700,000 and of the trust
company \$1,300,000.President Singerly gave out a brief state-
ment tonight in which he said:"We are working to secure the indebted-
ness of the two banks so they can go into
voluntary liquidation and thus avoid a re-
ceivership."
In this connection Deputy Comptroller of
the Treasury George M. Coffin, who was
sent here from Washington by Comptroller
Eckels today, said:"The matter of putting the Chestnut
Street National bank into voluntary liq-
uidation has been taken up by the exam-
iners of great financial ability. Their first
step will be to ascertain the value of the
assets of the bank. They will then be en-
deavored to ascertain the value of the liab-
ilities in ascertaining the indebtedness."Mr. Coffin will remain here several days
aiding the men who have taken upon them-
selves the task of extricating Mr. Singerly
from his financial difficulties. These gen-
tlemen are in consultation tonight, and the
belief is strong that they will provide the
funds necessary for a voluntary liquidation
of the two banks.

Trouble Was Expected.

It was known for some time in banking
circles that Mr. Singerly's banks were in
trouble and the national bank examiner,
Mr. Hart, was aware of the condition of
affairs. Last night a number of the lead-
ing bank officials of the city had a con-
ference lasting until nearly 3 o'clock this
morning, considering the matter of raising
sufficient money to relieve Mr. Singerly's
banks of their distress. It is understood
a proposition to float \$2,000,000 preferred
stock of the Philadelphia Record had been
practically agreed to when the news of the
suspension was made. The proposition was
made that because of the involved condi-
tion of the trust company's finances this
sum would not be within several hundred
thousand dollars of the amount required.
Negotiations were, therefore, declared off
and the banks were forced to the wall.
It is hoped the committee which began
tonight where the former committee left
off, will succeed in satisfactory adjusting
the finances and thus permit the banks to
pay depositors dollar for dollar.The net earnings of The Record last year
are said to have been \$250,000, more than
sufficient to pay dividends on a sum suf-
ficient to pay all of Mr. Singerly's indebted-
ness to the banks.The statements of the cause of the fail-
ure current here agree with that made by
Comptroller Eckels at Washington today,
that it was primarily due to the loss of
much money by Mr. Singerly in his specu-
lative paper mill at Elkton, Md., one of
the largest in the country. One statement
placed the sum thus involved at nearly a
million dollars. Mr. Singerly also has much
money invested in other enterprises in this
and other cities. Rumors were current to
the effect that the ownership of The Rec-
ord would pass from Mr. Singerly, but this
he denied, it being stated positively that he
is in absolute control of the paper and will
continue at its head.It is said there have been quiet but steady
runs on both the banks for several days
past. Of the deposits in the bank the city
is represented by \$285,554, the state by \$225,
and the national government by a large
sum, but all of these creditors are believed
to be protected.Much sympathy is expressed on all sides
for Mr. Singerly. He has occupied such a
prominent place in the affairs of the
city and the state for years past that the
news of his financial difficulties naturally
created a sensation.Crowds were gathered in front of the big
granite banking building all day, but all
was quiet. A great number of small
company and apparatus was expressed that
some distress might follow the failure.
If the hopes of a quick settlement are re-
alized, however, all depositors will be
paid in full within a short time.The last report of the condition of the
Chestnut Street National bank, made on
October 5, 1897, was:Resources—cash and discounts, \$2,750,
\$6.65; overdrafts, secured and unsecured,
\$2,523.34; United States bonds to secure cir-
culation, \$20,000; United States bonds to
secure United States deposits, \$10,000; pre-
miums on United States bonds, \$10,500; due
from national banks, \$250,000; due from
state banks and bankers, \$8,500; due from
approved reserve agents, \$20,000; checks
and other cash items, \$54,877.41; exchanges
for clearing house, \$174,556.47; notes of
other national banks, \$3,184; fractional pay-
ment currency, nickels and cents, \$2,535.94.Ashford was arrested but was afterwards
released on a \$1,000 bond.JAIL BIRDS WILL
EAT TURKEYBars and Bolts Cannot Keep Old St.
Nicholas Out.

TURKEY FOR THE PRISONERS

Sheriff Nelms Arranges Elaborate
Menu for His Guests.

'POSSUM AND 'TATERS ON THE BILL

Delicacies of the Season Will Delight
the Heart of the Moon-
shiner.The iron bars of Fulton county jail will
not keep Santa Claus from getting in and
giving the prisoners a big Christmas din-
ner. Old Santa may not have time to fill
their stockings, but he is going to make
an effort to fill their stomachs.Sheriff Nelms has given Santa orders to
go ahead and get up the best dinner he
can. There are about one hundred prison-
ers who will take their Christmas dinner
behind the bars, but Sheriff Nelms says
that it will be just as good as they could
get if they were on the outside. They are
going to have everything that the sheriff
will have on his table, and that means that
they will have all the good things of the
season.It will be the last Christmas dinner served
in the old jail and it will be one to be
remembered. The usual odor of cabbage
and fat meat that fills the jail during the
other days in the year will be driven out
by the delicious odor of roast turkey and
plum pudding. The jail chef will have a
chance to turn out the most palatable dan-
dies ever cooked on the jail oven and he
will use all the knowledge of the culinary
art in his possession.The full menu has not been made out yet,
but it is certain that the regulation turkey
with cranberry sauce will form a large
part of the dinner. The plum pudding will
not be forgotten and there will be enough
of it to give the entire population of the
jail the nightmare for a week. There will
be possum, garnished with baked yams, for
the colored prisoners; there will be delicious
soup for those who cannot partake of the
heavier food and every prisoner will have
what he wants and plenty of it. The din-
ner will be served at noon tomorrow and
the prisoners will eat until they have cried
"Hold-enough!"Sheriff Nelms said yesterday that all the
prisoners were looking forward to their
Christmas dinner and that he was going
to give them the best spread that he could
get up. Sheriff Nelms says that while he
is glad there will be a new jail by next
Christmas, he is glad that he has had a
chance to show the people that he could
keep prisoners in the present jail. Since he
has been sheriff there have only been two
prisoners to escape, and both of them have
been recaptured and are now serving their
time in the penitentiary.The present jail, while it is a very poor
jail, is looked on as one of the safest jails
in the state. Since Sheriff Nelms has been
in office prisoners have been sent here from
all over the state for safe keeping.They have all been kept safe and tomor-
row when they get the dinner pre-
pared for them they will not regret it.Tom Cyrus will doubtless be the happiest
guest at Sheriff Nelms's Christmas dinner,
for he did not believe the law would per-
mit him to accept the sheriff's invitation.
Instead of death on the gallows, Cyrus is
to eat turkey tomorrow.

KURTZ SPIES HANNA'S GUNS.

Ohio Republicans Have Promised To
Support Free Silver.Columbus, O., December 24.—The State
Journal this morning prints a story that
the republicans, led by Hon. Charles Kurtz,
in opposition to the re-election of Senator
Hanna, have promised to support free sil-
ver as the price of the defeat of Senator
Hanna. The story, The Journal states,
comes from a man who claims that Mr.
Hanna will be defeated. The Journal says:
"Conferees are being held in various
parts of the state by democrats who have
gathered at the direction of McLean and
the free silver leaders to plan for bringing
pressure to bear upon democratic members
of the legislature to vote for Governor
Bushnell, and the argument which is used
in these conferences to convince the doubt-
ing and bring conviction to the hesitating
is that Bushnell has surrendered to the
Bryantite idea of finance and will act with
the free silver men in the United States
senate if elected."

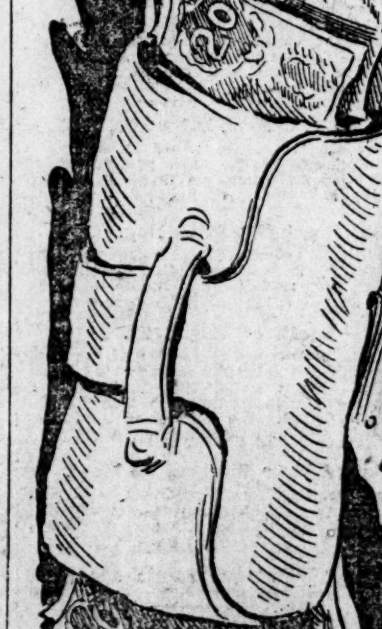
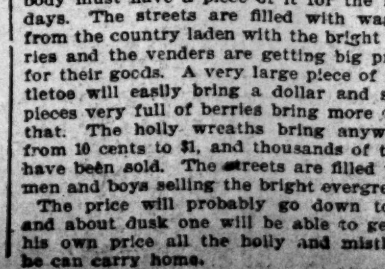
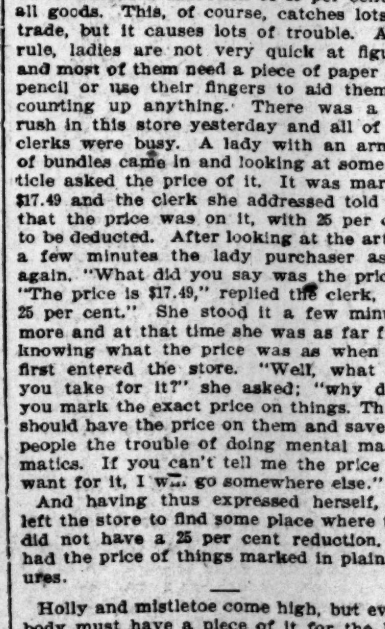
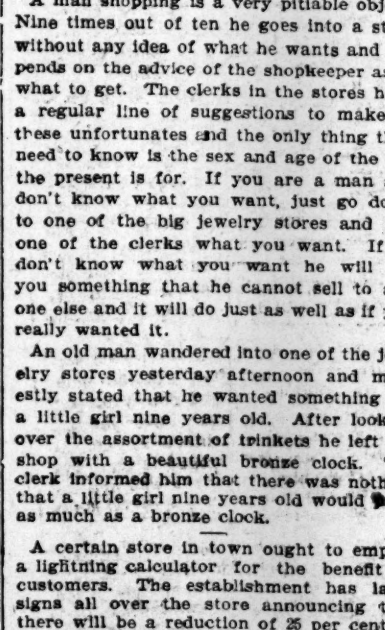
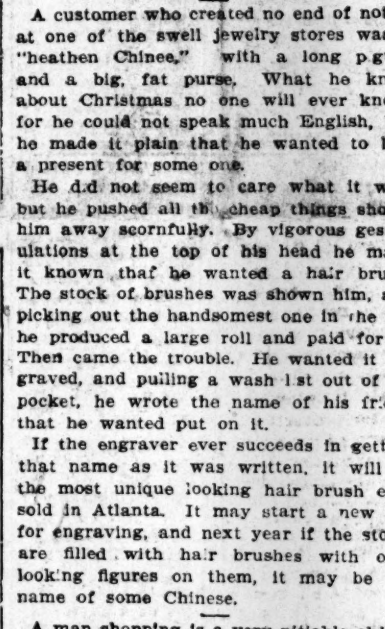
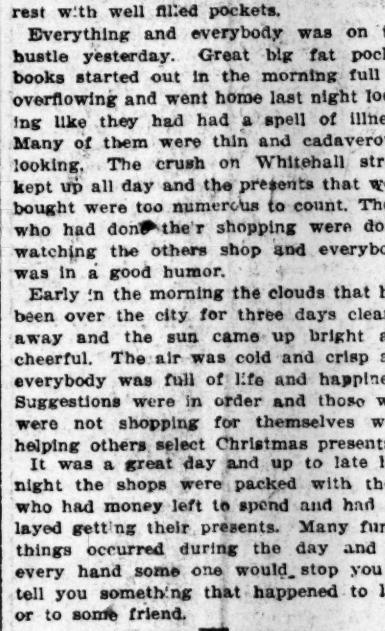
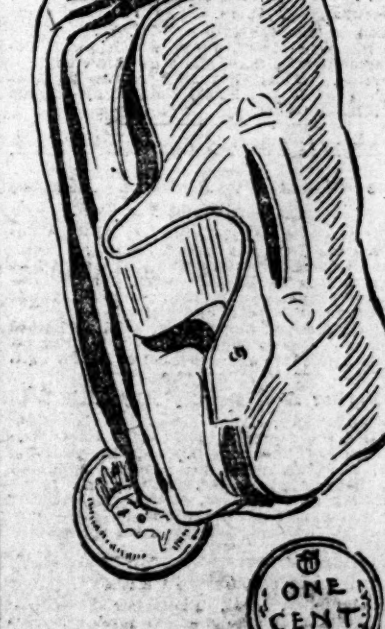
SHOT TO DEATH AMONG LADIES.

Two Alabamians Have a Fatal Meet-
ing in Crowded Jewelry Store.Birmingham, Ala., December 23.—(Spe-
cial.)—T. T. Ashford, a member of the Bir-
mingham board of aldermen and president of
the Birmingham Paint and Glass Com-
pany, this afternoon shot and fatally
wounded F. T. Brown, of Courtland, Ala.,
a traveling salesman for Bettman, Bloom
& Co., clothing manufacturers at Cincin-
nati.A year ago Brown killed Ashford's broth-
er, at Courtland, Ala., by shooting the top
of his head off. T. T. Ashford did not go
to Courtland to the trial, at the request of
his mother, who feared further trouble.

Brown was acquitted.

This afternoon the men met on Twen-
tieth street, in front of Rosenstihl's Jew-
elry establishment. Large crowds of Christ-
mas shoppers were on the streets and in
the store.It is claimed Brown made a motion as
if to draw a gun when Ashford began
shooting. The first shot went through
Brown's left chest and crashed into a show
window. Brown ran into the jewelry store,
followed by Ashford. The latter fired two
more shots, one passing through Brown's
body, entering the back and coming out of
the chest, the other lodging in his arm.Ladies in the store fainted and parda-
monium reigned. William Rosenstihl grab-
bed Ashford and prevented further shoot-
ing. Brown is mortally wounded.Ashford was arrested but was afterwards
released on a \$1,000 bond.

THIS IS THE WAY THE CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS SPENT THEIR SANTA CLAUS COIN.

DRY GOODS
TOYS ETC.DRY GOODS
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TOYS ETC.Christmas Shoppers.
In a Cayenne Finish.The Christmas shoppers will be in the
hurry to get home and when old Sol goes
to rest tonight the race for presents will
be over. Everything will be ready for Santa
Claus and the weary merchants will
close their store doors and go home to
rest with well filled pockets.Everything and everybody was on the
bustle yesterday. Great big fat pocket
books stashed out in the morning full to
overflowing and went home last night look-
ing like they had had a spell of illness.
Many of them were thin and cadaverous-
looking. The crush on Whitehall street
kept up all day and the presents that were
bought were too numerous to count. Those
who had done their shopping were down
watching the others shop and everybody
was in a good humor.Early in the morning the clouds that had
been over the city for three days cleared
away and the sun came up bright and
cheerful. The air was cold and crisp and
everybody was full of life and happiness.Suggestions were in order and those who
were not shopping for themselves were
helping others select Christmas presents.
It was a great day and up to late last
night the shops were packed with those
who had money left to spend and had de-
layed getting their presents. Many funny
things occurred during the day and on
every hand some one was stopping you to
tell you something that happened to him
or to some friend.A customer who created no end of notice
at one of the small jewelry stores was a
"heavenly Chinese." With a long pigtail
and a big fat purse. What he knew
about Christmas no one will ever know,
for he could not speak much English, but
he made it plain that he wanted to buy
a present for some one.He did not seem to care what it was,
but he pushed all the cheap things about
him away scornfully. By vigorous ges-
ticulations at the top of his head he made
it known that he wanted a hair brush.
The stock of brushes was shown him,
and picking out the handsomest one in the lot,
he produced a large roll and paid for it.
Then came the trouble. He wanted it en-
graved, and pulling a wash list out of his
pocket, he wrote the name of his friend
that he wanted put on it.If the engraver ever succeeds in getting
that name as it was written, it will be
the most unique looking hair brush ever
sold in Atlanta. It may start a new fad
for engraving, and next year if the stores
are filled with hair brushes with odd-
looking figures on them, it may be the
name of some Chinese.A man shopping is a very pitiable object.
Nine times out of ten he goes into a store
without any idea of what he wants and de-
pends on the advice of the shopkeeper as to
what to get. The clerks in the stores have
a regular line of suggestions to make to
these unfortunates and the only thing they
need to know is the sex and age of the one
the present is for. If you are a man and
don't know what you want, just go down
to one of the big jewelry stores and ask
one of the clerks what you want. If he
doesn't know what you want he will sell
you something that he cannot sell to any
one else and it will do just as well as if you
really wanted it.An old man wandered into one of the Jew-
elry stores yesterday afternoon and mod-
estly stated that he wanted something for
a little girl nine years old. After looking
over the assortment of trinkets he left the
shop with a beautiful brooch. The clerk
informed him that there was nothing that
a little girl nine years old would prize
as much as a brooch.A certain store in town ought to employ
a lightning calculator for the benefit of
customers. The establishment has large
signs all over the store announcing that
there will be a reduction of 25 per cent on
all goods. "This, of course," catches lots of
trade, but it causes lots of trouble. As a
rule, ladies are not very quick at figures
and most of them need a piece of paper and
pencil or use their fingers to add them in
counting up anything. There was a big
rush in this store yesterday and all of the
clerks were busy. A lady with an armful
of bundle came in and looking at some ar-
ticle asked the price of it. It was marked
\$17.49 and the clerk she addressed told her
that the price was on it, with 25 per cent
to be deducted. After looking at the article
a few minutes the lady purchaser asked
again, "What did you say was the price?"
"The price is \$17.49," replied the clerk, less
25 per cent. She stood it a few minutes
more and at that time she was as far from
knowing what the price was as when she
first entered the store. "Well, what will
you take for it?" she asked; "why don't
you mark the price on things. Things
should have the price on them and save the
people the trouble of doing mental mathe-
matics. If you can't tell me the price you
want it, I will go somewhere else."And having thus expressed herself, she
left the store to find some place where they
did not have a 25 per cent reduction, but
had the price of things marked in plain fig-
ures.Holly and mistletoe come high, but every-
body must have a piece of it for the hol-
idays. The streets are filled with wagons
from the country laden with the bright ber-
ries and the vendors are getting big prices
for their goods. A very large piece of mis-
tletoe will easily bring a dollar and some
pieces very full of berries bring more than
that. The holly wreaths bring anywhere
from 10 cents to \$1, and thousands of them
have been sold. The streets are filled with
men and boys selling the bright evergreens.The price will probably go down today
and about dusk one will be able to get at
his own price all the holly and mistletoe
he can carry home.SANTA CLAUS PAYS
FIREMEN A VISITGood Old Soul Entertained Atlanta's
Fire-Fighters Yesterday.

FIREMEN'S CHILDREN THERE

Santa Claus Gave Each of Them a Pret-
ty Present.

CHIEF AND MRS. JOYNER ENTERTAINED

They Saw That All Had a Good Time
and the Occasion Was a Most
Enjoyable One.No. 1 engine house of the Atlanta fire de-
partment was changed yesterday afternoon
from a fire station into a reception hall,
and old Santa Claus did the honors of
the day.Santa Claus arrived in his ship, "The
Santa Claus," at 3 o'clock and made his
bow to the entire fire department and the
wives and little ones of the firemen.
The scene at the engine house yesterday
was one of the most brilliant ever witness-
ed there. It was the annual visit of Santa
Claus, who, like the firemen at their
Christmas, was present by invitation of Mr.
and Mrs. W. R. Joyner. The ship in which
Santa Claus arrived was covered with
many colored electric lights and was
heavily laden with toys and good things.
Santa Claus was liberal in disposing of
the presents on the ship, and every one
went home carrying some token of his
good will.The engine house was beautifully decora-
ted with evergreens and pretty colors,
and a large flag with the name of the fire
department on it was hung from the ceiling
in the center of the place.After the arrival of the ship Santa Claus
made a few remarks to the firemen and
Christmas and bright and prosperous New
Year. He then proceeded to distribute the
things. The children enjoyed this feature
of the entertainment immensely, and
there were many pleasant surprises when
they opened the neat packages handed
them or received a pretty doll. Fruits and
nuts were distributed in large quantities.
In addition to giving Mr. and Mrs. Joyner
an opportunity to entertain the firemen and
their families, the entertainment is an an-
nual custom for the firemen. It is the only
time during the year they have a chance
to meet together.After Santa Claus had disposed of his
many toys the guests remained at the en-
gine house for some time and were en-
tertained by Chief and Mrs. Joyner. The fire-
men and the apparatus returned to their
stations shortly before dark, and the wives
and little ones joined in wishing
Chief and Mrs. Joyner a very merry
Christmas.

CHILDREN BACK FROM SCHOOL.

Many Happy Girls and Boys Returned
Home Yesterday.A large number of school girls and boys
returned to Atlanta yesterday to spend
their Christmas vacation and many passed
through en route to their homes in other
portions of the state.The union depot took on new life yester-
day and was for a while the busiest place
in Atlanta. The place was crowded with
those who were waiting to meet the
returning ones.There were many happy hearts when the
young school girls espied their mothers
and fathers as they stepped from the train
and regardless of those they pushed out of
the way, ran to them and gave them a
gladness kiss. Then began interesting ac-
counts of school life and the antics of the
teacher, intermingled with Christmas
talk.Almost every train was late yesterday
morning, and though the cold wind swept
through the depot, the crowd stood out
among the tracks and patiently waited.
Looking down the track some one would
suddenly see a cloud of smoke."Yonder she comes!" he would shout,
and then every one would crane his neck
to get a glimpse of the monster which was
bearing dear ones toward them.That's only a switch engine!" would re-
mark another, "I have been watching it
for the last half hour.""Yonder she comes!" this time, sure
enough, cried one fond mother, and she
was right. Then began a rushing and hur-
rying and preparations for the incoming
train."Out the way! Out the way! Look out,
there! Out! Out! Look out!" shouted the
trucken as they shoved the heavy ma-
chines across the track. Then came the
train with the engine puffing and blowing
and the bell ringing furiously, drowning
all other noises, and as the train
stopped all these sounds were echoed and
re-echoed through the old depot in mock-
ery of the ones who were trying to hear
the words of greeting of those returning
from school.

MRS. BOOTH DOES NOT IMPROVE.

Her Condition Showed No Change
Whatever Last Night.New York, December 23.—At the Presby-
terian hospital last night a bulletin on
Mrs. Booth's condition showed there had
been no improvement whatever.

TWO BALLS IN CURTIN'S HEAD.

Annie Motto Shoots a Man Fatally in
Knoxville.Knoxville, Tenn., December 23.—(Special.)
Christmas festivities were opened in Knox-
ville tonight by the mistress of a house of
ill-fame.Annie Motto shot twice at her lover,
Rush Curtin. Both balls took effect in the
man's head and he will die.

ANDERSEN SENTENCED TO HANG

Cook of the Schooner Convicted of Mur-
der as Charged.Norfolk, Va., December 23.—John Ander-
sen was today convicted of the murder of
William Wallace Saunders, mate of the
schooner Oliver Pecker, on the high seas,
on the 6th of August last, and under the
sentence of the court must be hanged on
the 15th day of March next, unless the su-
preme court of the United States in the
meantime interposes.At the conclusion of argument of counsel
last evening the jury was excused from
deliberation until today, on the high seas,
at 12 o'clock the verdict of guilty as indicted
was brought in.Andersen received the verdict unmoved.
A motion for a new trial was made and
argued this afternoon. The court overruled
the motion after a brief argument in re-
ply by the district attorney, and Judge
Goff sentenced the prisoner.The sentence was being pronounced, but
cried a little while talking to his attorney
afterwards.G. W. SMALLEY
MUCH TOO SMARTAnglomaniac Seems To Have Af-
flicted Him Severely.

SMILES ON ALL THAT'S ENGLISH

Sycophantic Utterances at the New England

Dinner Bring Censurements.

SUBJECT OF GOSIP AT WASHINGTON

White Republicans Are at War—Re-
publican Prosperity Continues
To Get in Its Work—The Fi-
nancial Fight After
Recess.Washington, D. C., December 23.—(Spe-
cial.)—Everybody in Washington who isn't
a mugwump or who hasn't had the blood
frozen in his veins is heartily and honestly
indignant over the utterances of George
W. Smalley, delivered at the annual dinner
of the New England Society. The blunt
rebuke of Senator Hawley, of Connecticut,
who took occasion to say that he was sorry
that Mr. Smalley "had so misunderstood
his own country," meets with the hearty
approval of Washington, as it did of these
at the dinner, where the episode occurred;
but those who know Smalley insist, on
amending it so as to read "misrepresented"
instead of "misunderstood."Smalley is the king of all the anglo-
maniacs. This is by no means the first time
he has deliberately misrepresented this
country, and it will not be the last, for he
cares only for his English constituency
and what will please their palates. His
advice in the present instance that the
United States get as close as possible to
England, because for an occasional display
of American spirit we have displeased the
"mother" country, is on a par with his ut-
terances and his writings ever since he
reached the summit of his ambition and
broke into English society.

Who Smalley Is.

Years ago Smalley took up his residence
in London as the correspondent of a lead-
ing American newspaper. From the day of
his arrival he began to see things through
English eyes, and with each passing day
his ardor increased. He was so much in-
fluenced by the English that he was trans-
ferred to the London Times, and when he trans-
ferred his newspaper allegiance to The London
Times he had reached the height of happi-
ness, from his standpoint, as he was able
to give full play to his nice English
thoughts.Since then Smalley has been growing
more and more intensely English. Cer-
tainly, every other American abroad who
retains any Americanism reverts the idea
of Smalley representing American thought.

Was Born That Way.

He is not competent to tell of the Euro-
pean attitude toward this country, for his
every consideration of this country is from
the standpoint of one who wants to see the
worst.

The Animals Stirred Up.

Gage has stirred up the bear garden.
When congress assemblies after the recess
the republican animals are going to break
loose and the administration is going to
find on its hands as full fledged a party re-
volt as ever was in evidence during the
days when Cleveland's secretary of the treas-
ury was being made manifest.There is no uncertainty in the talk of
these republicans who regard themselves
as silver men. There is more at stake
with them than mere personal opinion
with more than one, political existence
hangs in the balance and they being hu-
man, propose to preserve themselves if
possible. They cannot be expected to "lay
low and say nothing" in view of the gold
standard declaration of a secretary of the
treasury and his currency reform fol-
lowers, and they are not going to do it.One way or the other the thing has got to
be brought to a head early after the as-
sembly of congress and then McKinley
will be made to say—such a thing as a
positive declaration can be had from that
source—whether the secretary of the treas-
ury, with his plain and unequivocal gold
standard declarations, stands for the ad-
ministration, or whether those who have
believed in the international bimetallic
talk of the republican platform represent
the administration's attitude.An end must come to equivocal talk if
the present intentions of the silver men
hold out, and there is every reason to be-
lieve that they will. They have gone too
far now to permit themselves to be de-
frocked by promises which mean nothing.
Either the secrets of the treasury must
be distinctly repudiated or they will tell
the country that they have been deceived.

Warren Takes Issue with Gage.

It is not only Senator Chandler and
Senator Wolcott who will insist upon vin-
dication and who are now taking strong
ground against Secretary Gage. There
are a number of others. For instance,
Senator Warren, who is one of the most
conservative members of the upper house,
is out in an interview, in which he says:
"With the recommendations of the presi-
dent regarding national banks, most of us
will agree, and we realize that there are
also some good points in Mr. Gage's pro-
posed bill. We cannot, however, follow
him to the extent of doing anything that
will further weaken the single gold standard
upon this country."I regard the discussion of this matter
at this time as being most inappropriate.
The declared purpose of Secretary Gage
complicates the situation and will without
doubt array against his proposed measure
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make it an easy task for the democrats
to prevent any legislation from being en-
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the financial question when the country is
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THE WEATHER.

At 8 o'clock last night the center of high-
est barometric pressure was over the lower
Missouri valley, it having moved northeast-
ward from Texas during the past twenty-
four hours. The low area was still cen-
tered over New York. A general fall in
temperature occurred over the country, ex-
cept in the lower Mississippi valley, in Tex-
as and along the eastern slope of the Rock-
ies. The greatest change occurred in the
Ohio region and the lowest temperature—2
degrees above zero—was reported from Chi-
cago. The thermal line of 20 degrees ran
south of Cincinnati and that of 30 degrees
ran through northern Tennessee. More
clouds reported clear than has been the
case for several days, but the weather was
generally cloudy. Snow was falling at De-
troit and rain at Galveston. Light precipi-
tation had occurred during the day at New
York, Buffalo, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Oma-
ha, New Orleans and Corpus Christi.
Forecast for today—Fair and cooler.

Local Report for Yesterday.
Daily mean temperature..... 34
Daily normal temperature..... 40
Highest temperature..... 40
Lowest temperature..... 20
Total rainfall..... .00
Deficiency of precipitation..... 12.13

General Weather Report.
Daily report of the weather at selected
stations, as shown by observations taken
at 9 a. m., December 23, 1897.

STATIONS.	Temp. at 9 a. m.	Highest temperature.	Precipitation, inch.
New York, clear.....	34	40	.00
Baltimore, clear.....	34	40	.00
Norfolk, clear.....	34	40	.00
Charlotte, clear.....	34	40	.00
Raleigh, clear.....	34	40	.00
Wilmington, clear.....	34	40	.00
Charleston, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Augusta, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Jacksonville, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Atlanta, pt. cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Tampa, clear.....	34	40	.00
Pensacola, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Mobile, pt. cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Vicksburg, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
New Orleans, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Pasadena, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Galveston, rain.....	34	40	.00
Corpus Christi, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
San Antonio, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
El Paso, snow.....	34	40	.00
Chicago, clear.....	34	40	.00
Indianapolis, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
St. Louis, pt. cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Knoxville, clear.....	34	40	.00
Cincinnati, clear.....	34	40	.00
St. Paul, pt. cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Minneapolis, clear.....	34	40	.00
Omaha, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Lincoln, cloudy.....	34	40	.00
Rapid City, clear.....	34	40	.00
North Platte, clear.....	34	40	.00
Dodge City, clear.....	34	40	.00
Abilene, pt. cloudy.....	34	40	.00

J. B. MARBURY,
Local Forecast Official.

Forecast for Today.
For South Carolina and Georgia—Cooler;
northwesterly winds.
East Florida—Generally fair; cooler;
northwest to north winds.
Western Florida—Threatening weather;
northerly winds; probably showers on the
coast Saturday.
Alabama—Generally fair; probably cooler in
northern portion; northerly winds; in-
creasing cloudiness Saturday.

AT THE HOTELS.

Judge and Mrs. William H. Jackson, of
Cincinnati, arrived in Atlanta yesterday
afternoon. They will spend the holidays as
the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Jack-
son, at No. 18 Peachtree street. Judge
Jackson is the second son of the late How-
ard E. Jackson, of Nashville, and a brother
of Mr. Henry Jackson, one of the well-
known representatives of the Southern
Railway Company in Atlanta. He located
in Cincinnati several years ago, and mar-
ried Miss Jackson, a belle of that city.
He inherited his father's splendid legal
ability, and after practicing law in Cin-
cinnati for a few years, was nominated by
the democrats as justice of one of the supe-
rior courts of Hamilton county. He was
elected by an overwhelming majority, and
is now recognized as one of the ablest
judges of the Cincinnati bench. He is
a graduate of Vanderbilt, and was a college
mate of Messrs. Morris Brandon and Ful-
ton Colville, of this city.

Solicitor General Bloodworth, of the Flint
judicial circuit, is in the city to spend the
Christmas holidays. Mr. Bloodworth is
stopping at the Lenox.

Mr. A. O. Blacklock, of Fayetteville, the
well-known legislator, spent yesterday in
the city. Mr. Blacklock reviewed the recent
session of the legislature, and shed a
few remarks at the next legislative body,
of which, it is said, he aspires to be
speaker. Mr. Blacklock said he had never
announced that he would be a candidate, and
said he did not want the place. He has
traded his votes and his convictions for it.
Mr. Blacklock said he had been placed in
an unfair position before the people in re-
fusal to the university matter. He said
that the popular idea that he was seeking
to destroy the state's educational institu-
tion was entirely erroneous.

Colonel J. W. Anderson, the editor of The
Cotton Star, one of the best weekly
papers in the state, was at the Kimball
last night. Mr. Anderson was on his way
home from a business trip to Macon.

Solicitor General W. T. Kimsey, of the
Stone Mountain circuit, came up from
Jonesboro yesterday morning for a day in
the city. Mr. Kimsey said that Jonesboro
will soon have a suburban train, which
will place that growing town in closer
touch with the capital. The train is needed,
as many people doing business here live
in Jonesboro.

Mr. S. G. McClelland, of Thomasville, Ga.,
is at the Kimball. Mr. McClelland is on
his way to Athens, where his family is at
present.

Arrivals at the Kimball were: Robert C.
Lewry, New York; Forrest Smith, North
Carolina; Sheppard, of Atlanta; S.
McClelland, Thomasville; Bruce Benton,
Mansfield, La.; M. A. Simpson, Nashville;
W. A. Broughton, Macon; Mr. and Mrs.
C. J. Lee, Opelika; Miss Lizzie H. Lee,
Smith, Opelika; R. S. Hardaway, Atlanta;
J. P. Weather, New York; W. T. Smith,
Moore, Mobile; D. B. Hamilton, Rome;
George W. Shepard, Tallapoosa; William
G. Woolfolk, Columbus; Miss Hayne,
Greenville; R. H. Hardaway, Tuscaloosa;
O. C. Brothers, Jr., West Point; W. S.
Kipatrick, Macon; H. R. Hunt and J. L.
Johnson, Jackson; J. D. Daniel, Gains-
ville, and R. R. Pound.

Pale and puny children are given rosy
cheeks and vigorous appetites by the great
blood enriching qualities of Hood's Sarsa-
parilla, which is indeed the mother's friend.
Get only Hood's.

Death of Dr. Andrews.
Dr. J. T. Andrews, aged sixty years, died
last evening at 6:30 o'clock at his late resi-
dence, 255 Greenberry avenue. He had
lived in this city for a number of years and
had many friends. His remains will be
taken to Powellton, Ga., leaving the city
tomorrow morning at 7:30 o'clock, where
the funeral services and interment will oc-
cur.

FINE FAT and fancy dressed turkeys at
Doneho's market, No. 2 South Broad.

Christmas Novelties.
Everything in the way of novelties for
smokers at Thomas H. Pitts's cigar place,
corner of Peachtree and Marietta.

Xmas Books and Novelties
In great variety at John M. Miller Co.'s,
21 Marietta street, Atlanta, Ga. dec 23 11

FATAL BLOW AIMED
AT DE KALB'S COURT

Candler Issues Rule Nisi Based on a
Petition for Injunction.

TROUBLE OVER THE CITY COURT

May Make All Acts for Four Years
Null and Void.

CHARGE IT WAS NOT PROPERLY ESTABLISHED

Judgments Have Amounted to \$250,-
000 and May All Be Tried Again.
Other Complications.

All the judgments of the city court of De-
Kalb county rendered since it was brought
into existence, the total amounting to near-
ly \$250,000, may be declared of no effect and
all executions made by them null and void.
All the misdemeanor convictions that have



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been tried, found guilty and sentenced to
serve a term in the county chaling may be
tried again. The ones now serving may
demand a new trial, and those who have
served their sentences may demand a new
trial, and if found not guilty, might sue for
damages from the county. If found guilty,
they have served their sentences and would
be turned loose.

It is charged that the city court of De-
Kalb is an illegal tribunal of justice and
was established not according to the law
and contrary to the constitution of the
state.

An injunction has been filed with the
clerk of the court and a rule nisi issued by
Judge Candler Wednesday night calls on
the defendants in the petition to appear
before him on the 8th of January to show
cause why the court should not be abol-
ished and its acts declared illegal. This was
attempted by the past session of the leg-
islature, but failed, and now threatens to
be done by the superior court of the
county.

Certain taxpayers of the county, through
their attorney, Colonel W. W. Braswell,
of Decatur, have prepared the bill, which
has been filed in the clerk's office. It cites
the law on which it is founded and states
the reasons why the injunction to enjoin
the county officers, and especially the treas-
urer of the county, from paying out any
funds of the county for the maintenance
of the court and from paying the salary of
the judge, should be granted.

Allegations in the Bill.

In paying these amounts the bill alleges
that it is an "illegal and unauthorized ap-
plication of the revenue of said county."

The bill says the reason the injunction is
asked against the county officials is that
they all have dealings with it and help
maintain it. The clerk, the ordinary, the
treasurer and the newly appointed judge
are all made parties to the transaction.

In paragraph 6 the bill says: "Plaintiff
alleges that what is known as the act to
create and establish the city court of De-
Kalb in and for the county of DeKalb, ap-
proved December 13, 1893, the same being
the act under which it is attempted to hold
a city court of DeKalb, is unconstitutional,
and therefore null and void for the reason
that it contravenes paragraph 1 section
4 of article 1 of the constitution of
said state of 1877, which provides that
all general laws shall have a uniform
operation throughout the state and that
no special law shall be enacted in any case
for which provision has been made by the
general law."

"Paragraph 7. The act creating said city
court of DeKalb is a local or special act
providing for the creation of a city court
for all counties having a population of
10,000 or more, which general law was
then and is now applicable to said county,
as it had then and has now more than
10,000 inhabitants.

"Said special act differs materially from
the general law providing for the creation
of city courts for counties, as reference will
show."

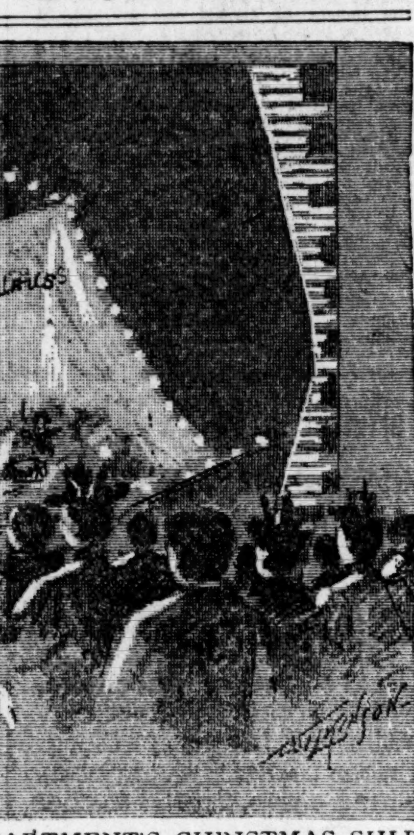
"Plaintiff alleges that said city court of
DeKalb is, a great expense to the tax-
payers of said county, so much so that
two successive grand juries have recom-
mended that it be abolished. Said pre-
tended court has had an existence for nearly
four years, during which time it has cost
the county about \$4,000 as salary for the
judge thereof, besides a large amount paid
out on account of per diem for jurors and
special bailiffs.

"Plaintiff alleges that the use of county's
funds for this purpose as herein alleged is

an illegal and unauthorized application of
the revenue of the county for the reason
that the act of the legislature creating
said city court is unconstitutional, null
and void for the reasons herein set forth.
Further Allegations and an Apology.

The bill further alleges that unless in-
junction is granted, Mr. H. S. Parry, who
has been appointed by the governor as the
judge of the court, will draw out of the
treasury \$1,000 and will hold the court every
two months; that the officials will con-
tinue to perform their part of the work,
and the treasurer will continue to pay out
the amounts for the maintenance of the
court. The plaintiff apologizes for the al-
legations he has made, and says that he
does not mean to reflect upon the personal
or official integrity of the defendants, but
heretofore admits that each of them has
done what he believed was right.

The defendant prays "that by decree of
this court the act of the legislature creat-
ing the city court of DeKalb be declared
to be null and void; that the county offi-
cials be restrained and enjoined from is-
suing orders or scripts on the treasurer of
said county to meet the expenses of the
court; that the treasurer be restrained from
paying for the work; that the newly ap-
pointed judge be restrained from holding
the court; that such other and further
relief be granted in accordance with law,



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and that the defendants be enjoined from
running the court."

The rule nisi was issued and will be heard
on the 8th of January. The bill will be
fought by the defendants, and Judge Par-
ry, who has just been appointed to the
bench and will preside over the destinies
of the court if it is not stopped or abol-
ished, will make an earnest effort to kill the
bill for an injunction.

Colonel W. W. Braswell, who has dis-
covered that the court was an illegal
branch of the county's government, believes
that he will carry his point, but said
that he did not care to say anything.

A Source of Contention.

The court has been a source of much
contention for some time and promises to
be the cause of much more. The
court was established four years ago by
an act of the legislature, when the gen-
eral law was in existence providing that it
be established by a recommendation of the
grand jury. This is the issue now—whether
the legislature had the right to establish
the court regardless of the general law. It
is the claim of the plaintiffs in the present
case that it did not. They feel confident
and firmly believe that they will win the
case.

Two grand juries of the county have
asked that it be abolished, but this has not
been done. The court has disposed of
many cases in the county, and during its
existence has disposed of a great deal of
business which, it is said, will be of no
effect if the court is shown to be illegal.
The judgments that have been rendered
will be worthless and they cannot be re-
covered. Any property that has been taken
away from persons in the county by its
judgments, if the injunction is founded on
the law, can be re-obtained and an endless
amount of litigation will be aroused in the
county.

The situation will be a difficult one to
cope with if the superior court abolishes
the city court.
Judge H. S. Parry said yesterday that
there was nothing in the fight; that he re-
membered that the court was established
by the recommendation of the grand jury
of the county before the legislature passed
the act. He said that he would be able
when the injunction was heard to present
a strong case and win the fight.

HIGHWAYMEN GO TO JAIL.

Two Alleged Thieves Were Before Jus-
tice Foute Yesterday.

When Frank James and Pete Turner
snatched the pocketbooks of Miss Strons
and Estelle Sullivan they probably thought
their chances for escape were good, but the
detectives soon arrested and yesterday
transferred them to jail, after they had
failed to give the bonds for \$300 Justice
Foute asked of them.

The robbery occurred on Cone street Tues-
day morning. The two young ladies, who
reside near each other on Powers street,
were on their way to the city. Each had a
pocketbook and paid little attention to
two negroes who were coming toward
them.

The negroes, when near the ladies, darted
forward and snatched at the pocketbooks.
Miss Strons was taken from her at once,
but Miss Sullivan resisted, when one of
the men forcibly took her purse. In doing
so he bent back her fingers and so injured
her hand that she has had it in a sling.

The ladies appeared before Justice Foute
at the preliminary hearing yesterday and
readily convinced the court of the pris-
oners' guilt. They were bound over to the
next term of the superior court.

DID MRS. BONE LOSE \$1,300?

She Reports to the Police That That
Amount Was Taken from Her.

Mrs. Bone, the mother of the famous
Bone boys, reported to the police authori-
ties last night that she had been robbed
of \$1,300. She said that it was stolen by
two boys, named Clem Monney and Wal-
ter Goodwin, who had spent the night at
her house night before last.

NORFOLK and Biloxi select and plant
oysters at Doneho's.

NEW SYSTEM FOR
TELEPHONE SERVICE

Atlanta Exchange Is Putting in \$40,000
Electrical Apparatus.

NO MORE KICKS IN FUTURE

New Scheme Will Revolutionize the
Conduct of the Exchange.

WILL MAKE INSTANT CONNECTIONS

When the System Is Complete a Sub-
scriber Will Only Give the
Number Desired.

A change now in progress in the Atlanta
telephone exchange will within sixty days
completely revolutionize the telephone sys-
tem of this city.

The new system will cost about \$40,000
and although entirely different from the
present plan is much simpler and insures
a better service for subscribers.

The new system is the scheme of the
Western Electric Company, of Chicago, but
is being put in by the New York branch
house, under the direction of Mr. R. E.
Hopkins, one of the most thorough elec-
tricians in the country. He arrived in the
city last Saturday morning with a corps
of sixteen men and began work at once.
Work has been going on day and night
since that time, but only a small portion
of the new apparatus has been put in, and
it is estimated that at least sixty days
more are required before the system will
be in operation.

The old lot of switch boards, with the
8,000 wires that are required to operate it,
the twenty-five young ladies who serve the
public and the platform on which they sit,
have been moved about ten feet to the
center of the room, while the new ap-
paratus is being placed where the old one
was.

This change was made while the phones
were in operation, the subscribers knowing
nothing of the work that was being done.
It is the intention of Mr. Hopkins to dis-
card the old board and commence operat-
ing the new one without a moment's delay.
He says that he anticipates but little trou-
ble from few kicks during the first week
that the new apparatus is in use, and after
the system is in thorough working order
the subscribers will notice a marked dif-
ference in the service.

The old manner of pulling down a lever
and pleading with central to give you a
certain number will be completely done
away with. All that will be necessary to
do is to take the ear piece down from the
hook, tell central what number you want
and then go ahead with the conversation.

The new system is so arranged that
when the ear piece is taken from the
hook a small incandescent light illumi-
nates the subscriber's number on a coin
switch board. Central then pulls down the
lever and ascertains what number is de-
sired. She then takes one of the two
prongs belonging to the number which
called up and places it in a small hole,
which belongs to the desired number. If
the subscriber calls for a number which
does not exist, the light will not light, and
if not it will remain dark.

Then she presses a button ringing the
bell of the desired number and when the
second man takes his ear piece down his
globe will light. Central then gives no
more attention to the subscribers, and the
light goes out, which is caused by the
replacing of the ear piece on the hooks,
when she puts the prong back in its place.
When a subscriber desires to call up a
distant city his prong is connected with
the operator in charge of that part of the
business and she gives the desired num-
ber. An arrangement has been made by
which two 'phone messages may leave the
city, two come in and a telegraph message
be sent over the same wire at the same
time.

Several small dynamos are being placed
in the operating room, the largest being
a five-horse power. Manager Robert L.
West, of the Atlanta exchange, is taking
an active interest in the new system and
is anxiously awaiting the time when it
will be in operation.

Dr. Rogers's New Trial.

In the mention yesterday's Constitution
of the application for a new trial
of Dr. Thomas Edgar Rogers, recently
convicted of counterfeiting, it was not in-
tended in any way to disparage Dr. Rogers's
motion, which is now pending in court.

Dr. Rogers has retained Mr. Frank Ar-
nold in the prosecution of a new trial.
The motion is based on various grounds,
amongst others, newly discovered
evidence, which Dr. Rogers thinks is very
strong and ought to give him a new
trial.

Judge Newman ordered that Dr. Rogers
be released on a bond of \$100, which may
be given. Judge Newman stated in open
court that he wished to take all necessary
time to look into the motion carefully, as
he was not himself altogether satisfied with
the conviction.

Both Dr. Rogers and his attorney say
they are confident that a new trial will be
given him.

After serious illness, like typhoid fever,
pneumonia, or the grip, Hood's Sarsa-
parilla has wonderful strength-giving power.

THE LOOKING GLASS.

Owing to Christmas falling on Saturday,
The Looking Glass will be issued this
morning at 10 o'clock. All newboys can
make a rich harvest this week. The mail
given away with the purchases of four or
more papers.

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DEAL WILL STAND, SAY CITY FOLK

Injunction Against Courthouse Purchase
Has Not Discouraged Promulgators.

OPINION OF CITY ATTORNEY

Anderson Says Palmer's Action Will
Amount to Naught.

QUOTES FROM THE CHARTER OF THE CITY

City Would Have Authority Regardless of Special Act—Mayor Says Deal Will Materialize.

The injunction filed against the city yesterday night, postponing the purchase of the courthouse for city hall purposes, seems not to have dampened the ardor of the promulgators of the plan. They say Judge Palmer's somewhat unexpected attack will amount to nothing.

The mayor feels confident the latest deal will materialize in course of time. Judge Anderson, city attorney, and several members of council entertain the same opinion.

One of the principal arguments in the bill for injunction is that the special act of the legislature gives the city authority to purchase a city hall, not one-fifth of a city hall. Judge Anderson hits this clause squarely on the nose with section 1 of a original charter of the city, which gives the municipality the right to purchase, receive or retain for the benefit of the city any property or lands whatsoever.

Judge Anderson further says that according to the contract between the city and county commissioners there is no attempt to bind future councils by the transaction. He says Judge Lumpkin is disqualified to rule on the case, anyway, in that the bill for injunction is a taxpayer's bill, and that Judge Lumpkin is a taxpayer.

Judge Lumpkin has ruled, however, that he is not debarred on this account.

"I do not believe," said Judge Anderson yesterday, "the injunction will amount to anything. We can answer every allegation they make. In the first place, there is no effort on the part to bind future councils, as is evidenced by our contract, and future councils are not bound in the transaction. As for purchasing one-fifth at a time, there is no law against this procedure. The ultimate object of the law-maker of the special act was to give us authority to buy a city hall, allowing us to use the best means at our disposal. Besides, we could purchase the courthouse even if this special act had never been passed. The first section of the charter gives us this right. It is true there is no sinking fund, but this is immaterial. The act says we may have a sinking fund. Of course we never intended to pay over the \$30,000 without the court's consent, but I do not think the injunction will affect the new deal except in the line of delay."

Mayor Talks but Little.

The courthouse deal is all right," said Mayor Collier. He would discuss the plan no further.

"I was very much surprised to hear of the injunction," said Councilman Ed Peters. "If they keep on this way it will soon be impossible for us to build a Mitchell street bridge or make any public improvements whatever. We might as well stop where we are. I do not see how this injunction can affect the trade. The city gets an undivided one-fifth interest in the courthouse and there is positively no obligation on any council to purchase the other fifths. They have the perfect right to take any action they desire. The trade means with the approval of the large majority of the taxpayers and should go through. In framing these resolutions we attempted to meet Judge Palmer's objections as set out against our first deal. This we thought we had done. I cannot understand why he should have filed another injunction."

"I do not think the injunction will affect the latest deal," was all that Alderman Rice would say on the subject.

"It seems to me," said Alderman Woodward, "the county has got the worst end of it this time. The city is decidedly on top. I am in favor of this latest deal in preference to the first, but still I do not like the location. I cannot see what effect the injunction will have."

Can't Hurt the New Deal.

"I do not claim to be a lawyer," said Alderman Mitchell. "If I do not see how the injunction can break up the new deal, the law cannot prevent the purchase of the property when no future council is bound. I am heartily in favor of the purchase of the courthouse, and I believe it will be bought, notwithstanding the efforts being made to break up the deal."

Alderman Dimmock was not thoroughly familiar with the situation and refused to be quoted.

"I am rather afraid," said Alderman Tolbert, "the injunction will hurt the deal. I voted for the last contract, but I have never been specially in favor of buying the courthouse. I think the trade the best thing the city could do now, however, under the circumstances."

Judge Anderson's Authority.

Section 1 of the city charter, which Judge Anderson says gives the city authority to purchase the courthouse, is in part as follows:

"And the city shall be able in law to purchase, hold, receive, enjoy, possess and retain for the use and benefit of the said city of Atlanta, in perpetuity or for any term of years, any estate or estates, real or personal, lands, tenements, hereditaments of whatever kind or nature whatsoever, within the limits or without the limits of said city for corporate purposes; to hold all property and effects now belonging to said city, either in her name or in the name of others, to the use of said city for the purpose and intents for which the same were so dedicated; to use, manage and improve, sell and convey, rent or lease, and have the like powers over property hereafter acquired."

What the Commissioners Say.

The county commissioners who are in the city had but little to say about the amendment filed Wednesday night.

Chairman Forrest Adair stated that the amendment meant nothing and could affect the issue but little, if any.

"The public is so familiar with the situation and the efforts that are being made to divert attention from the merits of the case that comment is superfluous from the commissioners."

Commissioner Walter R. Brown is out of the city.

Commissioner Jack J. Spalding is in New York and will not return before the first of next week.

Judge Rosser was not in his office yesterday, as he was appraising property outside of the city.

Commissioner Palmer did not care to discuss the situation.

"The bill speaks for itself," said he, "and if I were to be interviewed for an hour I could not tell the situation better than does the application for injunction, which The Constitution has published in full."

County Attorney Rosser was asked for an expression, but he declined to discuss the matter, as he had not seen the papers in the case and could not say what he thought of the amendment until he had an opportunity to study its contents.

GILPIN NEVER RODE SO FAST

Deputy Chastain Ran Faster Than Did John in His Famous Ride.

THROUGH STREETS AT 2.40 GAIT

Sprinting Officer Was Anxious To Serve a Christmas Warrant.

Ran Many Blocks.

Deputy Sheriff Chastain began the celebration of Christmas yesterday morning in an attempt to lower the records of the world for a long distance. Like the famous ride of John Gilpin, yesterday's race was without good results and the object of the chase was not overtaken. Unless the man knows that Chastain had given up the race, he may yet be running.

Sometime ago a warrant was placed in the hands of Chastain to be served on a man who lives in the upper end of the county. As the man came to the city but seldom, Chastain has been on the lookout, hoping to catch him on the sly and serve the warrant.

Yesterday morning Chastain saw his man strolling down Marietta street, looking at the show windows and thinking about Christmas. Chastain was loath to alarm him, so he stalked slowly along behind, hoping to approach from behind. The people who crowded the busy thoroughfare were surprised to see a countryman look behind them, leap into the street and run as for life. Chastain joined in taking the middle of the street to avoid the throng of Christmas purchasers. Down around the corner of the Equitable building went the countryman at a 2.40 gait and close behind was the deputy sheriff, running a good second, his heavy overcoat flowing behind in the breeze.

Everybody stopped and watched the runners, but none offered assistance.

"Don't stop him," said a bystander, who was a devotee of the race track. "Just let him run. Hands off, everybody, and let the best man win."

Down Edgewood avenue into Line street, across a vacant lot, then into Gilmer street, went the two men at breakneck speed. Over the hill and down into Bell street they flew, leaving behind all records. Then a moment was lost in indecision. The pursuer hesitated, and the runner ran around to head him off. Both men were, as the prize fighters say, blowing hard and feeling the effects of their punishment. Past the meat college the pair ran, keeping about the same distance apart.

At the Grady hospital Chastain stopped. He was out of breath and the countryman had just got his second wind.

"That's the end of the race," said Chastain yesterday afternoon. "He had legs longer than mine and better bottom. I couldn't catch him and gave up when I saw the race was too uneven."

SHERIFF SELLS STEINAU STOCK.

He Disposed of the Goods in the Two Saloons on a Bank Mortgage.

Sheriff Nelms yesterday morning disposed of the stock and fixtures in the two stores of L. Steinau. One is located at 15 Loyd street and the other at 88 Decatur street.

The stock and fixtures in both places brought \$2,600.50. The sale was made under a mortgage held by the Capital City bank. The sale created little excitement.

ENTERTAINED THEIR FRIENDS.

Railway Trainmen Gave a Ball Last Evening.

The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen entertained their friends at a ball last evening in their hall, 654 East Alabama street. It was the annual ball, and the trainmen had their quarters decorated with mistletoe and holly.

Music was furnished by the Field-McCarter orchestra, and the fifty couples present passed a very pleasant evening.

SENTIMENT FAVORS A STRIKE.

Fall River Mill Workers Are Not Agreed on Method.

Fall River, Mass., December 22.—The conference of the operatives' committee, which waited on the manufacturers' committee last night, lasted two hours and the discussion went into the details of the mills situation and brought out varying opinions. While it is understood that the influence of the more conservative operators has had effect upon the committee, and it is not unlikely a proposition to postpone a strike will be made.

BOARD MEETS AND ELECTS OFFICERS

Only New Officer of Board of Education Is Treasurer George DeSaussure.

ANNUAL MEETING YESTERDAY

Board Refunded Teachers Some of the Money Out from Their Salaries.

NEXT YEAR'S APPROPRIATION NAMED

Board Would Not Make It Public, but It Will Ask for an Increase Over That of Last Year.

The board of education of Atlanta held its annual meeting yesterday afternoon and elected officers for the coming year.

With only one exception the old officers were re-elected. Captain R. J. Lowry, former treasurer of the board, was the only officer not re-elected. Mr. George DeSaussure was elected treasurer. The officers re-elected are:

President, Mr. Hoke Smith; vice president, Judge J. G. Bloodworth; secretary, Mr. E. C. Merry.

The meeting of the board yesterday afternoon was very quiet and the only other important business transacted was refunding to the school teachers some of the money out from their salaries at the beginning of the year.

In the spring of the year it was found necessary to reduce the salaries of the teachers and a cut of 9 per cent was made by the board. It has been proved that the cut was more than sufficient to bring the teachers now have about \$2,000 to their credit.

Yesterday afternoon the board decided to return this to them and as a result they will receive in their monthly salary an increase of about 8 per cent. This was rather unexpected by the teachers and comes in the nature of a Christmas present.

Only two members of the board were absent yesterday. The first business was the report of Superintendent Slaton. On the morning of the board meeting the early after the close of the schools he was unable to prepare his annual report. The report presented to the board showed that the attendance in the schools is unusually large. It stated that the same annual promotions will take place on January 20th. It is not thought that many children will be promoted.

The report tells of the formal introduction into the schools of the vertical system of penmanship and of the presence in the city of Professor Wells, a teacher and penmanship expert who was sent by the publishers of the system adopted. He has already begun instructing the teachers and in his report Superintendent Slaton says great progress has been made.

The report says that there has not been a single case of smallpox in the schools and that they have been visited twice during the past six weeks by the city physician, who has vaccinated every child who was not successfully vaccinated. Superintendent Slaton says that the school children of Atlanta are the most thoroughly vaccinated in the United States.

The pay roll of the schools for the last month was passed up and approved by the board. Through the courtesy of the board, Superintendent Slaton the teachers were able to draw their money on the morning of December 23d, and had it in time for their Christmas shopping.

Free Textbooks Discussion.

Aldermen Woodward and Rice, of the city council, were before the board yesterday afternoon as a committee from council to go into joint discussion with the board and discuss the free textbooks ordinance of the council.

Alderman Woodward appeared before the board as the author of the ordinance, which was passed by the council last year. He was accompanied by a committee member, and the board's decision was to retain the matter under advisement and when Superintendent Slaton and Assistant Superintendent Landrum visit other cities during January and February they will be instructed to look into the book plan in use and make a report to the board.

Want Increased Appropriation.

The finance committee of the board made its report on the expenses for the ensuing year and the board, taking this as a basis, decided on the amount of the appropriation to be asked of council.

The board would not make known the amount to be asked for, but it is stated that it will be an increase over the appropriation of last year. The school appropriation last year was \$45,000 and it is very likely that the amount to be asked this year will be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$50,000.

The next regular meeting of the board will take place Thursday, January 6th, and at that time the annual report of Superintendent Slaton will be presented. It will contain matters of interest and will show the work of the schools for the past year.

STEADY RECORDS ARE BROKEN.

Time from the Orient via Honolulu Has Been Shortened.

San Francisco, December 22.—The steamer China, which arrived this morning from the Orient via Honolulu, made the quickest trip on record, not only between Yokohama and Honolulu, but between Honolulu and San Francisco.

The ship was detained nineteen hours and thirty-six minutes at Honolulu, and from Yokohama to this port, including this delay, she made the trip in fourteen days, twelve hours and eighteen minutes. The passage from the island was made in five days, seven hours and forty minutes. At one period of the voyage 15.85 knots was averaged for four hours.

All previous records of the speedy lines were beaten by one day, one hour and forty minutes.

KANASKA ISSUES A CHALLENGE

Champion In-Door Pacer Record Holder Wants a Race.

Milwaukee, Wis., December 22.—Henry Kanaska, a professional cyclist, of this city, today issued a challenge to the world to race any distance from one to ten miles on an indoor track, for a purse of \$500 to \$1,000, each to furnish his own pacer.

Kanaska holds the world's indoor paced record for a mile at 1:38.2-5.

RYAN WAS HANGED AT MID-DAY

Wife Murderer Executed for a Crime Committed Nineteen Days Ago.

Greensboro, N. C., December 22.—At five minutes to 12 o'clock this forenoon Sonny Ryan, who, on December 4th, brutally murdered his wife, was hanged.

His neck was dislocated by the fall. Ryan was nervous to the last. When asked by the sheriff if he was ready, he replied: "Let her go."

NORFOLK and Bliox select and plant oysters at Donahoe's.

Christmas Novelties.

Everything in the way of novelties for smokers at Thomas H. Pitts's cigar place corner of Peachtree and Marietta.

Lights and Shades.

GOES TO HIS MOTHER.

Hon. Porter King left the city Wednesday morning to go to the bedside of his mother, who has been stricken with apoplexy, and was reported to be critically ill Tuesday night. She resides in Alabama. She is the daughter of the late Judge Joseph Henry Lumpkin, of this state.

HIS ARM BROKEN.

For the second time within two weeks, young Bayler Landrum, son of Dr. W. W. Landrum, fell Wednesday and broke his arm. The accident is a painful one and some time will be required for the two bones to heal. He is playing at the home of his parents when it occurred.

PONDER REMEMBERED.

The city council has passed an ordinance to defray the expenses of the funeral of Officer T. J. Ponder, who was killed while on duty at the liquor house of Louis Steinau some time ago.

CHARGES CRUELTY.

A suit for divorce has been filed by Becher Rice against his wife, Mrs. Emma Meyer Rice, whom he charges with cruelty and desertion. The plaintiff says that she cursed, beat and so mistreated him that he was obliged to leave the home. The defendant lives out of the state and owns property in Detroit, Mich.

STOLE HER TRUNK.

Some one went into the abode of Mrs. Bone Tuesday night and stole a trunk. The old lady notified the police department and reported Clean Goodwin as being the culprit. He is a character well known in police circles, and the officers will endeavor to get him into the cooler on this last charge.

MISS ELAM IMPROVING.

Miss Ada Elam, who attempted suicide in the state capital Tuesday, is rapidly improving at the hospital, and will be well in a short time. She continues morose and quiet, and had nothing to say of her condition or why she attempted to take her life.

BARBER SHOPS WILL CLOSE.

The barbers of the city have decided to enjoy Christmas this year. An agreement was reached by them yesterday which closes all their shops tomorrow at 1 o'clock.

CELEBRATED TOO SOON.

Jack Salmon, a small white boy, living at 108 Mangum street, injured his hand yesterday morning while playing with a pistol. The boy endeavored to celebrate Christmas before it arrived and early in the day began firing blank cartridges.

UNKNOWN MURDERED BABY.

A negro baby was found near Fort McPherson yesterday morning by a negro. It had been murdered and hid in a sack. Marks of strangulation were found upon its body. The child was about two or three weeks old. No clew was found as to the perpetrator. Corner Stamp held an inquest and the jury brought in a verdict of murder by unknown parties.

SKY-SCRAPER FINISHED.

The eleven-story building at the corner of Peachtree and Broad streets is nearly completed and the finishing touches are now being added to the interior and the place is one of great activity. A large force of workers are engaged in taking out the debris from the inside, and by January 15, 1898, the building will be ready for occupancy.

CHARGED WITH ROBBERY.

James Simmons, Jim Floyd and Lewis Hamby, three young white men aged nineteen, twenty-three and twenty-six years, respectively, were locked up yesterday by Detectives Slaughter and Conn. It is thought that they are implicated in robberies committed a few nights ago on the Howell's Mill road. They were brought to the barracks by Bailiff Nat Anderson, of Cook's district. The young men protest their innocence and claim they can prove an alibi.

SWALLOWED A NAIL.

Little Harry Dowling, the five-year-old son of Mr. John Dowling, the well-known horse dealer, was the victim of a peculiar accident last Monday. In some way while he was playing around the house he swallowed a nail about as long as his arm and half in length. The nail has not been recovered, and the little fellow does not seem to get it much thought. His father, however, is worried about him, but the bright youngster does not seem to be in any danger.

TELEPHONE MR. BARCLAY.

The Sheltering Arms and Barclay mission officials wish to announce to those who have donations for these two charitable institutions to telephone to Mr. Barclay and he will send his wagon for all articles.

SPECIAL SERVICE SUNDAY.

The Jackson Hill Baptist Sunday school will hold a special service Sunday morning instead of having the regular quarterly review. There will be music, recitations and a service appropriate to the occasion. Mrs. O'Connor's infant class of about forty little ones will recite and sing. The service begins at 9:30 o'clock.

MRS. DICKEY WINS A DOLL.

The doll, Dorothy, which was for raffie at the recent Catholic bazaar, and which has since the closing of the bazaar been on exhibition in the window of the Estey Organ Company, was raffied last night. Mrs. James L. Dickey, Jr., was the winner.

DRUNK RECORD BROKEN.

The record for drunks was broken last night at the Catholic bazaar, and was brought in two at a time by the patrol wagons, which were kept busy going to all parts of the city. The station sergeants said that never since the bazaar was opened and remarked that "Christmas was surely coming."

FIREWORKS.

The first case made on account of the stringent enforcement of the ordinance against shooting fireworks in the city was up before Judge Adair yesterday afternoon and two boys were fined \$7.50 for their conduct. They were Lige Parks and Jim Fernandez, who had fired indiscriminately some fireworks in the streets and were immediately arrested.

STOLE SPOONS.

Ernest Newman stole some spoons from Mrs. Thompson, in the eastern part of the city, Wednesday night. It is said, and is loudly wanted by the detectives. The spoons are a very valuable set and are greatly prized by the owner. They are of heavy silver. Newman is the same man who was arrested once before for theft, and while awaiting trial escaped from Judge Bloodworth's courtroom. Since then he has been wanted for other crimes.

FINE FAT and fancy dressed turkeys at Donahoe's market, No. 2 South Broadway.

Working the McCluskey Mines.

Gaineville, Ga., December 22.—(Special.)—Colonel H. P. Farrow has been operating dredge boats at Wooley's Ford, has just secured a lease on the McCluskey mines, and is about to start operations. He has the best producing gold mine in this section. The property in which the mines are located was owned by a company of several prominent men.

Colonel Farrow Is in Waiting.

Gaineville, Ga., December 22.—(Special.)—Colonel H. P. Farrow has been waiting after his appointment as postmaster of the office here. He has been looking for a way of his appointment, but it will be until after the holiday season before he receives it and is in waiting. The present postmaster, Judge J. B. M. Winburn, a term of office expired yesterday.

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Knocked Off by a Train.

Albany, Ga., December 22.—(Special.)—Parties coming into Albany on the Brunswick and Western train this afternoon reported the killing of a white man named Willie Hinson, a resident of Wilcox county. The accident occurred near that place when the train was moving at a high rate of speed. It is presumed that Hinson was under the influence of intoxicants, as he was sitting on the edge of the track and paid no attention to the warning signals. A curve hid him from view until the train was almost upon him. The pilot knocked him some distance from the track and his head was fearfully crushed. The train was stopped and the bodies were taken care of for attention. Life was not extinct when the train pulled out for Albany, but death came a few minutes later. The engineer, Conductor R. S. Wells and Engineer Joo Green were in charge of the train.

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MRS. KNIGHT WANTS PARDON

She Has Served All but One Month of Her Sentence.

HER SON IS DANGEROUSLY HURT

Fell from a Telephone Pole Yesterday.

Mrs. Knight Coughed Old Man Flower.

Man Flower.

Mrs. T. H. Knight, who is now

serving a sentence in Fulton jail because

she horsewhipped Judge, may

wake up Christmas morning to find that

Santa Claus has brought a reduction of

sentence to put into her stocking.

Mrs. Knight met old man Flower on

Pine street last spring and she immedi-
ately began using a horsewhip, which, it was

said, she had concealed in the folds of her

skirt. The blows left welts on the old

man's face and he afterwards swore out

a warrant, upon which she was tried and

convicted before Judge Chandler.

Mrs. Knight was sentenced to serve

three months in jail or pay a fine of \$50.

The fine was not paid and Mrs. Knight

has been in jail for two months. Her

husband, who was jointly indicted, tried

and convicted with her, was sentenced to

serve one month in jail and pay a fine of

\$25; in default of the fine he was to serve

three months in the public works of the

county. He has served his month in jail

and recently paid the fine, thus escaping

the chain-gang.

Yesterday morning the only son of Mrs.

Knight, who is in the employ of the tele-
graph company, fell from a pole and re-
ceived serious injury. The friends of Mrs.

Knight have been trying to make an effort to

secure a reduction in her sentence so that

she could be at home with her injured boy.

Many appeals have been made to the

district attorney and the governor, and it is believed

that the third month will be taken from

the sentence and that she will be allowed to

leave the jail. If these efforts are suc-
cessful Mrs. Knight will be pardoned to-
morrow morning.

INTEGRITY FIELD.

It is said that the new Grant building,

which is being erected on Broad, Forsyth

and Walton streets, will be named the

Integrity field. A representative of the com-
pany was here this week and it is un-
derstood that an arrangement was made be-
tween the owner of the building and the

city, that the consideration to be paid for

the building be something like \$20,000. A facsimile of

the rock of Gibraltar will be carved over the

main entrance.

The English-American building will be

headquarters for at least four insurance

companies and possibly more. The Mutual

life will move in early in the year. Mutu-
al Wood, White, of the Northwestern

Life of Milwaukee, will move his office

over there from the Young Men's Christian

association building. The Prudential is go-
ing in until Captain Grant's building is

completed and the United States life will

make its headquarters in the English-
American. Other companies have been fig-
uring on a change.

The old life insurance companies say they

have no right on the assessment companies

that they simply worked the recent bill

through the legislature in order that insur-
ers may know just what they are doingand if they want the assessment or natu-
ral premium or flexible premium policy

they will be able to see what they are doing.

It is a little strange that the assess-
ment bill did not come on to the bill

while it was pending in the legislature. It

seems that they did not discover what was

going on until the bill had passed the

house and senate and was in the governor's

hands.

Taken as a whole, the life companies have

not made such gains this year in the south

as they made last year. In fact, the figures

now, although the figures will not be an-
nounced for ten days yet.

Exceedingly pleased to be satisfied and

the volume of new business written for the

country at large has been very great.

Eugene E. E. Partridge, who has just

been elected president of the North Amer-
ican Insurance Company, is an instance of

what the American boy can accomplish.

Partridge came into the company's employ

as an office boy and he has since every-
thing into a business man in a few years.

At the annual meeting of the company

in Boston on Tuesday, President Elias

Pierce, Jr., and Mr. Partridge were

elected to succeed him. Mr. Pierce con-
tinued as a director and his son, Elias Pierce, Jr.,
was also elected a member of the board.

The Travelers Insurance Company of

Hartford intends to foreclose all the Kan-
sas mortgages where the interest is in de-
fault. The company has a mortgage for

\$200,000 on a business block in Fairview.

The owners have been notified that they must

settle the interest at once or be sold out.

This action is taken because McCall was

crowding the Travelers for an examination

and President Patterson decided to win-
draw from the state. The company has

a large real estate holding in Kansas.

How it will come out in foreclosure pro-
ceedings remains to be seen.

C. H. Bunker has been elected president

of the Commercial Union Assurance Co.,

Association of Chicago. The company has

deposited \$100,000 with the insurance de-
partment of Illinois as a guaranty fund to

protect its policy holders.

The National, of Baltimore, has retired

from the Baltimore underwriters.

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At the French Candy Co., 100 White-

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If you want fine chocolates and cream

candies for Christmas, go to the French

Candy Company, 100 Whitehall street. Mr.

George Garrow guarantees all his candies

to be absolutely pure and of the highest

quality. You can get any grade of can-
dies you want at his establishment, but a

specialty is made of fine chocolates and

cream candies. Don't miss the French Can-
dies Company when you buy your Christmas

candies. dec-23

NORFOLK and Blois select and plant

oysters at Donohoe's.

Owing to Christmas falling on Saturday,

The Looking Glass will be issued this

morning at 10 o'clock. All newshoppers

make a rich harvest this week. A fine box

even away with the purchases of four or

more papers.

Holiday Rates via Southern Railway.

The Southern Railway Company will sell

excursion tickets to all points for the hol-
idays, at a rate of 2 cents per mile.Tickets will be sold to students at 25th in-
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FEDERAL COURT IN RECESS

Judge Newman Orders a Halt Until After the Holidays.

NEXT YEAR'S JURY IS DRAWN

The Men Who Will Try the United States Civil Cases Selected Yesterday.

The United States court adjourned for

Christmas yesterday. Judge Newman de-
clared a recess until December 28th, af-
ter he will reconvene court for two days and

then take another adjournment.

No business was transacted yesterday

other than the drawing of a traverse jury

for the 1938 term of the federal court. When

the term begins next year the docket will

be laden with many big cases. The trial

of the civil cases will take up most of the

time and the jury drawn yesterday will settle

cases involving hundreds of thousands of

dollars.

Judge Newman will go to New Orleans

Sunday after next and he will have no

other court here until January 17th. He

goes to assist Judge Pardee in some cases

in the appellate court there. Her

federal court finished up nearly all of

the noonish cases before adjourning,

so as to leave very few prisoners in jail

during Christmas. Only those who did

not want to be tried or whose serving sen-
tences will have to spend the holiday in

the jail. Judge Newman shortened the

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